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For: OFFSHORE STRUCTURE

AMENDMENT/RESPONSE

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This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated February 20, 2003 issued in the above-identified U.S. patent application. A petition to extend the time for filing this response one month and the appropriate fee are enclosed. Kindly amend the application in accordance with the following particulars:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Kindly replace the two paragraphs on page 5 beginning on line 22 and extending to line 33 with the following:

--There will be many possible ways of assembling the base, deck, legs and guides relative to one another prior to installation of the platform. However, preferably, the method of installing the offshore structure further comprises the steps of: attaching four legs to the base; attaching two guide to the deck; floating the deck over the base so that it passes between the legs until the guides engage to of said legs; and attaching two other guides to the deck.

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